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POETRY

POLITICAL GREATNESS.

Nor happiness, nor majesty, nor fame,
  Nor peace, nor strength, nor skill in arms or arts
Shepherd those herds whom tyranny makes tame—
  Verse echoes not one beating of their hearts;
History is but the shadow of their shame;
  Art veils her glass, or from the pageant starts,
As to oblivion their blind millions fleet,
  Staining that heaven with obscene imagery
Of their own likeness. What are numbers knit
  By force or custom? Man who man would be
Must rule the empire of himself; in it
  Must be supreme, establishing his throne
On vanquished will, quelling the anarchy
  Of hopes and fears, being himself alone.

—Percy Bysshe Shelley.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

He is the TEACHER who knows where power exists: he is the LEADER who awakens and forms it.

—George Meredith.

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And set in order the churches, and study and learn, and become acquainted with all good books, and with languages, tongues, and people.

—*Doctrine and Covenants 90: 15.*

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THIS WEEK'S COVER

"Come listen to a Prophet's Voice
And hear the word of God."

(See page 37.)

Keep The Faith

Address delivered before the 112th Semi-Annual Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

By President David O. McKay

"LET NOT YOUR HEART BE TROUBLED: YE BELIEVE IN GOD; BELIEVE ALSO IN ME."—John 14: 1.

David O. McKay

SUCH were the words given by Jesus to His Apostles just at the conslusion of the Last Supper. If He could offer such consolation on that solemn occasion, facing betrayal and death as He was, I am sure that He would say the same to the people today, many of whom feel discouraged and distressed. The Saviour also gave an antidote to trouble, which is belief in God. Absolute faith in Christ will drive out fear and will alleviate sorrow. We have a beautiful hymn written by Sister Woodmansee, that expresses that thought:

"When dark and drear the skies appear,
And doubt would thee enthrall,
Look up, nor fear, the day is near,
And Providence is over all."

It is true the world is passing throug a period of transition, of sorrow, and to many of despair. Nations are being subjected to tyranny. The four devastating Horsemen—War, Famine, Pestilence, and Death— are galloping seemingly unchecked. The daily press announced recently—"the greatest battle of annihilation in all history." Freedom of the individual to speak, to act, and to work is being shackled. Systems of government heretofore advocated as the best and safest for mankind are being questioned. Religious truths, once held sacred, are now doubted, ridiculed, or rejected. In some parts of the world, even hell itself seems to have broken loose, spreading hatred, terror and death in its wake. Now as never before we should put our trust in God, "stand fast in the faith, acquit ourselves like men, be strong."

BRINGS NEW CHEER

Notwithstanding the topsy-turviness of the world generally, I bring to you a word of encouragement, a note of cheer, a message of hope and faith. I say this first because I have faith in the overruling power of Providence. Man, through his littleness, through his rejection of the Gospel, his selfishness and weakness, brings contention and strife upon himself. He is, as Emerson says,

"A divinity in disguise. A god playing the fool. It seems as if heaven had sent its insane angels into our world as to an asylum, and here they will break out into their native music and utter at intervals the words they have heard in heaven.

Then the mad fit returns and they mope and wallow like dogs."

But a wise Father will work out of men's mistakes and blunders greater blessings than they might have obtained with their own wisest foresight. Gloomy clouds often hang heavily about us, but the rains that descend from them prove a blessing. So it may be with the ominous clouds lowering today over civilization.

I do not believe in the advocacy of discouragement and gloom; better, the gospel of Hope. Remember, the Church of Christ is established never more to be thrown down or given to another people. The Gospel has not yet been preached to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people, and I am sure that the Lord will open up the way for the consummation of His purposes.

There are many things as a Church for which we should be grateful and hopeful, and I am going to name some of these.

CHURCH CONDITIONS

Conditions were never more favourable or more promising in the Church than today. Priesthood quorums were never more active as groups than they are today. More presidencies of quorums are sensing their responsibilities as presiding officers, and as a result are striving more earnestly to set their quorums in order.

The Auxiliary Associations show progress all along the line.

The Relief Society, numbering over ninety thousand, now extends to all Latter-day Saint women the oportunity for service and development which comes through membership in this Society, and the officers hope that at the end of the year 1941 nine thousand more women will join their ranks, thus increasing their membership to one hundred thousand by the Centenary year.

TITHING AND FAST OFFERINGS

The tithes of the people show a most encouraging increase over last year, and indeed, over any previous year.

Fast offerings also reflect a more general adherence to this important phase of Church policy and true Christian practice.

EUROPEAN MISSIONS

Encouraging word comes even from our Branches in war-torn Europe. **In Great Britain the historic publication, "The Millennial Star," is issued every week, as it has been practically every week since 1840.**

In the light of all these facts, and many others we might mention, are we not justified in having our souls lifted, our hearts encouraged, and our hopes brightened? Our plain duty is to move forward with a determination to do what the Lord requires of us, "to deal justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God."

THE GOSPEL OF LOVE

Absolute trust in the Lord will awaken a desire, at least, to try to live in accordance with Christ's teachings, chief of which

is to LOVE, not hate, one another. Now, as perhaps never before, all men, and especially Latter-day Saints, should preach and practice the gospel of love, and decry, as well as deplore, manifestations of ill-will and hate.

"He that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes."

In answer to a lawyer's question, which is the great commandment in the law, Jesus answered in one word, "Love," and then He specifically stated whom we should love; first, the Lord "with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind"; and, second, "thy neighbour as thyself."

The opposite of Love is Hate. As Christ is the personification of love, so Satan is the embodiment of hate.

Hate is cruel and vicious; even when unexpressed and smouldering, it consumes the individual as surely as when it bursts into flame. Hate feeds on envy. It prompts and justifies unrighteous conquest; it looks for weaknesses in others; lives in the realm of iniquity and feeds on falsehood and slander; it injures the hater even more than the hated. It "is of all things the mightieth divider, nay, is division itself."

WAR A RESULT OF REJECTING THE GOSPEL

Rejection of the Gospel of Love, which is the Gospel of Jesus Christ, brought on the World War that began in 1914, with what result? "Seven million men killed, twenty million wounded, five million of whom were maimed and crippled for life. Six million men imprisoned. Twenty million women in Europe deprived of a home of their own. Countless millions who suffered privations in the trenches, and in lonely homes of the poor. Ten billion pounds worth of material and property destroyed. Twenty billion pounds to provide for the cost of the war and interest."

Hatred smouldering in the hearts of Germans against men and nations who imposed upon Germany what to the Germans were unjust terms of peace is the cause of the present world-wide conflict. As a result, millions of men are again being slaughtered, homes broken up, property destroyed, women and children massacred, nations subjugated or practically obliterated, the right of self-government destroyed, and liberty itself threatened.

Terrible as things are, I repeat, I still have faith that God will overrule all for the good of humanity.

EVILS TO BE CONDEMNED

There are things in the world which we may and should despise, but we can condemn the evil without hating the man. We should develop an aversion for the things which we ourselves can and should resist or overcome, and for the things which Christ hated. We can have an aversion for the works of the flesh as enumerated by Paul, among which are adultery,

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A Prophet's Voice—A Lesson In Teaching

IT was about 10.30 a.m. The date: Friday, October 2nd, 1941. I entered the office of another attorney who is hardly a nominal member of the Church. He was dialling in on K. S. L.

"Take your hat off and sit down," he welcomed. "It is conference."

Soon a rather feeble and mellow voice came over the ether waves. As we sat is easy chairs and listened, we soon became oblivious to everything but the unusual voice. Before the speaker concluded, we were gripped and enthralled by the overwhelming intensity of the feelings of the speaker.

The voice seemed to come right out from the centre of reality. For although the voice was serenely calm and rather halting, we were moved to reverent awe by the solemn, soul subduing consciousness of the power of the Omnipotent.

When our joyous ecstacy was attaining its deepest intensity, in came a brisk, handsome, business man, a non-Mormon.

"Come in," was the hearty greeting of the lawyer, "the President of the Mormon Church is speaking."

The business man sat down in an easy chair. By this time the President was entering upon his sublime, soul-penetrating testimony. The business man was deeply moved. Tears came into his eyes; and when the last words faded away on the ether waves, he solemnly remarked:

"He is a powerful speaker."

What is the secret of this soul enthralling power? This is the most vital of all questions pertaining to the effective teaching of religion. The effectiveness of the speaker was not in catch words, nor in skilful argumentation. His language was simple, homely and commonplace. But his soul was aglow with the fire of the Holy Ghost. His spiritual nature was so deeply intensified that when he spoke, those who heard him were infected with the ecstatic feelings that stirred the soul of the speaker.

In that kind of speaking, or teaching, we have an exemplification of the highest kind of art—the art, to use Tolstoi's phrase, that "infects others with what the artist feels."

Only that kind of religious teaching, that "infects" others with the teacher's spirit-awakened feeling of the reality of God's goodness and power, is truly effective religious teaching. That kind of teaching is the art of arts—the art of transforming and ennobling human

—NEPHI JENSEN.

For The Young Folk

"Father in Heaven, I like to know
That You are near wherever I go,
For the tender care You show for me,
I would like to offer thanks to Thee."

THE ADVENTURES OF ISAAC.

LAST week we left Abraham and Sarah living in the land of Canaan. This week, as our story opens, they are living in a place known as the Plains of Mamre, and are quite old. Abraham and Sarah would have dearly loved a son, but, alas, they were childless, and sometimes they felt very sad.

One day Abraham was sitting in the door of his tent, when he looked up and saw three Heavenly Messengers. He asked them to stay for a while, so that he could get some water to wash their feet, in accordance with the usual Eastern Custom at that time, then he dashed into the tent and told Sarah to bake some cakes for tea, and with meat, milk and butter from the farm, a very tasty meal was soon prepared. The heavenly messengers ate, and promised Abraham that soon he and his wife would have a son. His name was to be Isaac, and it was promised that he would grow up to become a good man, and the father of a great nation.

Shortly afterwards, just as the messengers had said, Isaac was born. His mother and father loved him very much, and lavished every care upon him, for they had waited for many years to have a son of their own. When Isaac was quite a young boy, God commanded Abraham to take him into a land called Moriah, and there offer him as a burnt sacrice upon one of the mountains. Next morning Abraham arose early, and very sadly harnessed his pony, taking with him his son Isaac and two menservants. After three days travelling they reached the place which God had appointed, and the two servants were left to wait with the pony until Abraham's return. Very sorrowfully he built an altar, and laid the wood so that it would burn up brightly. He bound his little son, laid him upon the wood before the altar, and was just about to kill him with a knife when an angel of the Lord called unto him, saying that he must not kill the boy, or hurt him in any way, because God had seen that Abraham was righteous and godfearing, and it was no longer necessary for him to make the offering. God was just testing Abraham, to see if he would obey His commandments, even to the extent of losing the child who was so dear to him. When Abraham looked up he saw that a ram had caught his horns in the thicket, just behind the altar, so he took the ram and offered it in place of his son.

Next week we will hear more about Isaac, who was spared to grow up and become a great man, and a prophet of the Lord.

E. M. B.

Home Missionaries' Page

AS a Church in Great Britain we have entered the New Year with high hopes, courage, unwavering faith and steadfast purpose to accomplish the tasks that lie before us. Will we succeed? Most assuredly, since all our plans are made through the promptings of the Spirit of God. No selfish, personal ideas or desires enter into the work of the Church. Those who give of their time and means do so prompted to sacrifice and service by the same Spirit. How can their plans be anything but success!

Around the Mission Presidency are arrayed thirty-three full time Missionaries, Mission Boards, District Presidents and Counsellors, Supervisors and Secretaries, Branch Presidents and their Counsellors and Secretaries, Sunday School, M.I.A., Primary, and Relief Society Presidents and Officers, Teachers and Leaders, 408 Home Missionaries; altogether about 1,250 faithful members working together in support and development of the British Mission of our Church.

How marvellous to contemplate the practical living faith of the Latter-day Saints in Great Britain! Every one is playing his or her part with credit for the good of all.

Home Missionaries, since you are an integral part of this great organization of Voluntary workers, we again wish to commend you for your service and devotion, and encourage you, every one of you, to resolve to make an even greater effort in 1942. Your eternal reward and exaltation shall be in proportion to your work as Home Missionaries if that is the only responsibility assigned to you. Most of you have other duties in the Church, at business and in the home. All the more credit to you for being able to undertake so much. All the leaders carry many burdens.

Here are some extracts from reports received:

"Cottage meeting held at the home of a non-member. A good impression was created, and questions were asked after the meeting."—Joseph T. Quinney, Rawmarsh.

"After visiting an inactive member, she attended Sacrament meeting and Relief Society this week."—Emma J. Wynn, Oldham.

"Attended Union Meeting on Sunday, October 19th, and spoke on the Martyrdom of the Prophet Joseph Smith."—Doris E. Gregson, Manchester.

"My cousin's son, who is in the army, visited me this week He is stationed in Scotland, and whilst here took the addresses of L.D.S. Branches in Edinburgh and Glasgow. I also gave him a 'Star' and a 'Voice of Warning.'"

"A lady from Rochdale visited here this week, and she told me about a gentleman who knew the Mormon Elders when the were on a Mission there, and used to play baseball. This gentleman remarked that the L.D.S. Elders were the whitest and cleanest men he had ever met, fine physique and good appearance. The lady accepted a pamphlet."—Anna Higginson, Manchester.

"I enjoy being a Home Missionary. Through visits I have brought back two members back to Church; one of them is active again. I have had my testimony strengthened."—Mary E. Wynn, Oldham.

BY MY ACTIONS I WILL PROVE MY ALLEGIANCE TO MY CHURCH, MY GOD, AND MY PEOPLE. A. K. A.

The Latter-Day Saints' "Millennial Star"

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EDITORIAL

Our Task

IT is with mixed feelings that we sometimes hear individuals admitting the principles and truths of Mormonism, yet who will, when approached on the premises laid down by them, deny the power of the Gospel of Christ restored in these latter days.

Abundant evidence reveals that there is in the heart of most men and women an instinct impelling belief in an undefined power, a desire to show recognition of that power in some way, and a yearning to know where they fit into the immense plan of the universe. All three might be likened to flames which flicker intermittently according to the circumstances surrounding the individual's life. Only in the heart of a Latter-day Saint are they unified into one bright incandescence, that which "burns within the bosom." It all depends on the fuel they are fed.

Admittedly, in this nerve-stringing atmosphere in which we exist, values, previously stable and inspiring confidence, appear to be topsy-turvy. Men are at a loss sometimes to know where to drop the anchor of the ship of their beliefs, and many are drifting, apathetically and purposelessly.

Ours is indeed a task. To convince people that there are basic fundamentals that do not change, no matter what the state of a changing world, and efficacious throughout, appears to be well nigh impossible at times; but the rebuffs and objections, and the disheartening sight of seeing people slaves to destroying habits must not deter us in our constant effort.

I heard a young man say the other day: "I am an atheist." I did not believe him and I do not believe him now, for I have talked with him, and although he still declares it, I am sure that he is deliberately deceiving himself. As a Churchman I was challenged by the statement, yet I was enlightened and

intrigued by his admission, immediately following, that through his own prayers as a child his life was saved when medicos had despaired of him. He explained it away thus: In childhood he had been taught to pray to Jesus, and when illness wracked his body, he felt impelled to supplicate for help to that Jesus. He prayed so earnestly, he stated. and believed so much that he would get well, that he did. He developed faith in himself, he avers, and today believes sincerely that that self-faith was, and will always be, his salvation in time of need. I am certain that deep down in that young man's heart a flame flickers. The glimmer of realisation of the author of that faith is there, and some day perhaps it will develop into an incontrovertible belief—nay, knowledge. Perhaps I have a part to play, but the admission rests with him. When he will debase himself and realise that his very living is due to the graciousness of God, then will the still small voice again whisper and perhaps be heard. He has believed, side-tracked the source of belief, and deluded himself into believing that the power of faith had its origin in him.

Another example: A man said, "I believe in a Supreme Power, but the Church . . ." and he expressed disgust. I could see his point clearly, and I knew that here was indeed a flame strongly flickering, struggling to light his soul. He said, "What can the Church do under the present circumstances—they are powerless." I asked what constituted the Church. After some discussion we agreed that the Church is not dogma, ritual or a body of ecclesiatic authorities or a set of inexplainable beliefs, but the people. Further, that the power of the Church and its people lies in the efficacy of its doctrine. It was also agreed that the closer they are to Christianity, i.e., Christ's teachings, the greater that power. I took the opportunity offered and preached Mormonism, and he could not but agree that adherence to such ideals would save humanity of their own volition. Here was a thinking man whose sense was dulled by a set of opposite experiences throughout his life.

So we must continue sowing the seed, engendering hope in the breasts of these benighted souls.

We must help these persons to realise that above and beyond the governments of men, whose efforts seem to antagonise rather than gain their support, is the government of God, and its consummation on this earth lies in the depth of belief in every man's being.

This is our task. This country and all who stand for democracy with us will emerge victorious from the battle for freedom. There is no doubt about that. A study of the scriptures reveals this; but the benefits derived will not be the vanquishing of the foe or the glory of its attendant triumph, in themselves—it will be the reformation, if any, which should come out of the security of peace once more.

Our prayer must ever be: **Touch the hearts of humanity, O Lord. Give us the power to speak to their hearts and help them to find in the principles of the restored Gospel eternal progress and eternal peace.**

—J. P. H.

L.D.S. Pen Friendship League

Under the Direction of President A. K. Anastasiou

THE young people of the Church are keenly interested in our League. The evidence is apparent in all the Branches visited. It is becoming a part of Church interest, thought and discussion, particularly among our young people. The parents are gratified to think that their children of today—men and women of tomorrow—will, to a very great extent, find for each other true, faithful, virtuous and intelligent companions in the Church. They know that a good Latter-day Saint is a good husband or wife; they also know that the children brought up in the Church are a blessing to the Church and to the community, as well as a source of joy to parents.

There are many young men in the world who are looking for girls who do not smoke or drink, who possess simple virtuous beauty and character, qualities so essential to make good, intelligent wives. They little know that the finest womanhood to be found anywhere in the world is among the Latter-day Saints.

Let us hope that these equally virtuous men will come into the Church to share the blessings of the Restored Gospel and be worthy of the love, confidence and companionship of our Church womanhood.

"The young men and young woman lead a beautiful and wholesome life," said Ella Wheeler Wilcox, the great American poetess, who until 1903 was ashamed to confess her ignorance about our people.

Here are names and addresses of those who have written wthin the last two months to the L.D.S. Pen Friendship League, seeking pen friends. You may wish to write to each other.

LADY MEMBERS:

Ruby Matthews, 16, Hermitage Grove, Orrell, Bootle, Liverpool.
Marjorie H. Cuthbertson, "Kylemore," 2 Crosslea Avenue, Sunderland.
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Cpl. G. Warren, R.A.F.
Gnr. C. Austin.
Robert A. Wicks.
L/Cpl Tom Moss.
John Cornish.
L.A.C. E. Beattie.
Gnr. George Turner.

LATTER-DAY SAINTS—YOUNG PEOPLE—GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER

A. K. A.

KEEP THE FAITH

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fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, hatred, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings and such like; "of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in times past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.".

ATTENTION TO LITTLE THINGS VITAL IN ERADICATING HATE

When the rich young ruler asked Jesus "what great thing may I do to obtain eternal life?" the Master called his attention not to any one great thing, but to several specific commandments.

So there may not be any great act we may do to eradicate hate, war, and suffering in the world; but there are many little but very important duties within our power and province to accomplish.

This is a time when men and women should curb their tempers, and when prompted to condemn others, to hold their tongues.

I know of no better way to bring about harmony in the home, in the neighbourhood, in organizations, peace in our country, and in the world, than for every man and woman first to eliminate from his or her heart the enemies of harmony and peace such as hatred, selfishness, greed, animosity and envy.

"Why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?"

Pertinent to this thought, Charles Wagner, auhor of "The Simple Life," makes this comment:

"Each person's base of operations is the field of his immediate duty, neglect this field, and all you undertake at a distance is compromised. First, then, be of your own country, your own city, your own home, your own church, your own work-shop; then, if you can, set out from this to go beyond it. That is the plain and natural order, and a man must fortify himself with bad reasons to arrive at reversing it."

Brethren and Sisters, "Let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in God," believe also in the Gospel of Jesus Christ—a belief such as the Saviour had in mind on that solemn occasion will express itself in action. So, in conclusion:

"Keep your faith in the God above,
And faith in his righteous truth;
'Twill bring you back to your absent love
And the joys of a vanished youth.

You'll smile once more when your tears are shed
Meet trouble and swiftly route it;
For faith is the strength of the soul inside,
And lost is the man without it."

AUXILIARY SECTION

PRIESTHOOD

Under the direction of the Mission Presidency

MELCHIZEDEK PRIESTHOOD STUDY COURSE ANNOUNCED FOR 1942 and 1943.

Priesthood and Church Government will be the vitally important theme of the 1942 and 1943 Study Course for the Teachers of the Melchizedek Priesthood in the Branches of the Church in the British Mission. The subject matter has been compiled by Dr. John A. Widtsoe (under the direction of the Council of the Twelve), from many sources, some not generally accessible. The material thus gathered has been so organized as to make the volume a Priesthood study course, reference book and handbook—in short, a digest of the revelations on the Priesthood and the practices and proceedures of Church Government and the statements of Church leaders on the subject of Priesthood.

This course is offered so that every man may understand the Priesthood he holds, and may thereby be led to magnify and honour it.

The restoration of the Priesthood is the foundation of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and marks it vital difference from all man-made churches.

MELCHIZEDEK PRIESTHOOD OUTLINE OF STUDY

JANUARY, 1942.

Text: PRIESTHOOD AND CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

Outlines of the lessons, for the guidance of Teachers, will be printed monthly in the "Millennial Star."

These outlines will indicate what material should be studied each week throughout the two years. Class leaders should be thoroughly familiar with the text covered by the lessons. At the Monthly District Priesthood Meeting, these class leaders should be appointed to present the lesson material. The time should be devoted to discussion of lesson headings. Each lesson heading should be understood and discussed.

One Month's Lessons:

Lesson I. From Adam to Abraham (Read Chapter 1, pp. 1-12).
Lesson II. From Abraham to Christ (Read Chapter 1, pp. 12-24).
Lesson III. Apostacy and Final Restoration (Read Chapter 1, pp. 24-31).

AARONIC PRIESTHOOD

BRANCH TEACHER'S MESSAGE FOR JANUARY, 1942.

"RECIPE FOR HAPPINESS, IN 1942."

To every Latter-day Saint there is a well-marked road to happiness—a way to secure satisfaction, joy and blessings. The Gospel plan is intended to bring happiness and supreme satisfaction to every human being; not that there will be no trials or tribulations. These are frequently, in themselves, blessings, and the means of advancement and development. But to those who, by their lives and their attitudes toward the Church and their fellowmen, earn the rewards, great joy, satisfaction, and happiness are promised.

We are told that "Men are that they might have joy." This refers, of course, to genuine joy—the joy that comes from a knowledge of the Gospel plan, from living a righteous life, from service cheerfully and effectively rendered, from living in peace and harmony with our fellowmen. It does not refer to fleeting pleasures and sensations which too many good people mistake for real joy.

To the Latter-day Saint family that desires real joy, real satisfactions, and the blessings of our Father in Heaven in the year 1942, here is a suggestion: In a family group read and discuss The Ten Commandments, the Articles of Faith, and the Word of Wisdom. Having done this, let each member resolve to have these inspired and sacred teachings serve as a guide and code of conduct in his life in the year ahead. A home evening spent in this manner will help materially to bring joy and satisfaction during the entire year.

There are thousands in the Church today who can testify that living according to the teachings of the Gospel is a satisfactory and dependable recipe for happiness.

(It is recommended that Teachers suggest to each family that a home evening be appointed early in January and that the procedure outlined herein be followed. Ten Commandments: Exodus 20: 3-17; Articles of Faith, Early Editions of Doctrine and Covenants; Articles of Faith by Talmage; Word of Wisdom: Doctrine and Covenants, Section 89.)

RELIEF SOCIETY

President - - - - - - - Sister Marie W. Anastasiou
First Counsellor - - - - - - Sister Helen E Poole
Second Counsellor - - - - - Sister Maud B. Hawkes
Secretary - - - - - - - - - Sister Miriam Mann

TO THE SISTERS OF THE RELIEF SOCIETY.

Dear Sisters,

Our New Year's Resolution is to increase our membership and so strive to accomplish and complete our Slogan:—

"Members Old, Members New,
A Hundred Thousand by '42."

We also have another Slogan; "Once a Relief Society Member, Always a Member." Let us seek a Sister who, for reasons she alone knows, has not been attending the Relief Society Meetings.

I feel confident that if we do this we shall not only increase our membership, but learn the art of helping others, which is indeed the true spirit of Relief Society Work. We, the members of the Relief Society Board, hope that you are planning for the Centennial. Already you have received information in the "Star" regarding plans. We shall strive as best we can and as near as possible to carry out the programme sent to us from Zion. We are restricted by War conditions, but I know how you have helped and carried on under severe set-backs, and will carry on better still, now that we are having a little peace and quiet.

So, dear Sisters, have courage: let us all have love and unity in our hearts, trying always to help and comfort the needy, and thus be found faithful in the Master's Service at all times.

May we remember Paul, the Apostle of our Saviour, when he said, "And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing."

Praying God's blessings upon you all for the New Year,

Sincerely your Sister,

MARIE W. ANASTASIOU,

British Mission Relief Society President.

GENEALOGY

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"It can now be officially announced that the new plan of submitting names for Temple work will go into effect January 1st, 1942."

—Extract from letter received from G.S.U.

From that date on, all names can be submitted for baptism and endowment on the revised form of family group record, a sample of which is now in possession of the British Mission Genealogical Board.

The proceedure to be followed will be as follows: All sheets when entered with all available information to be forwarded to the Mission Board, who will scrutnise carefully in order to ascertain if entries are correctly made;

i.e., adequate identification, exact source of information, name of heir, etc. If approved, the sheets will be sent to Zion for the work to be attended to.

The sheets will shortly be generally available from the Mission Bookstore and also stocks will be placed in the hands of District Genealogical Chairmen. From the sample, these sheets appear to be a great improvement on the former type and should be an asset to all engaged in the work.

We look forward to the coming year with high hope, believing that these sheets will indeed prove a fillip to the work in this land.

—MISSION GENEALOGICAL BOARD.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Superintendent - - - - Elder James R Cunningham
First Assistant - - - - - - Elder W. O. Chipping
Second Assistant - - - - Sister Winifred A. Osborn

PRELUDE:

Deseret Sunday School Songs, No. 291, first line.

SACRAMENT GEM, FEBRUARY:

God, our Father, hear us pray,
Send Thy grace this holy day,
As we take of emblems blest,
On our Saviour's love we rest.

POSTLUDE:

Last line same song.

Dear Sunday School Workers,

"It is felt that many Sunday Schools are not making a regular feature of the two and one half minute talks. **Two should be given every Sunday.**

The educational value of these talks to the young members cannot be over estimated; they provide experience in public speaking, additional knowledge, and valuable training.

Pupils should be given every encouragement to take advantage of this opportunity. They should be trained in the art of good delivery, pronunciation, posture, and self expression. Remember the youth of today are the leaders of tomorrow.

There is one important point to carefully observe. Will Sunday School Superintendents please make two and a half minute talks assignments well in advance, so that pupils have ample time to prepare themselves? It is suggested that each month a list of the speakers be printed and fixed on the notice board, so that everything may work smoothly and efficiently. **Your help in this important project will be much appreciated."**

—Extract Sunday School Handbook.

PROJECT FOR FEBRUARY:

Two well prepared two and one half minute talks every week in our Sunday School.

MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

PROGRAMME: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd, 1942.

Hymn—No. 231, "Redeemer of Israel."
Prayer.
Talk—"The First Resurrection and those who will take part in it."
Talk—"The Final Resurrection."
Hymn—No. 90, "When First the Glorious Light of Truth."
Talk—"Provision made for those who Died without a Knowledge of the Gospel, to take part in the First Resurrection."
Hymn—No. 33, "Though Deepening Trials."

References for all talks can be found in Lecture 21, Articles of Faith, by James E. Talmage.

M.I.A.

Y.M.M.I.A. Superintendent - - - Elder James P. Hill
Y.W.M.I.A. President - - - Sister Madeline E. Hill
Assistant - - - - - - - Sister Louisa R. Lawman
Executive Secretary - - - - Sister Alice Bickerstaff
Mission Beekeeper - - - - - - Sister Edith G. Rees

It is very gratifying to note that at the end of the year 1941 practically half of the branches in the British Mission have M.I.A.'s organised. The work was at a low ebb at the commencement of the season in September, and we do appreciate very much the efforts made by all to achieve this stage. We wish you success and pledge you our co-operation and help.

There has arisen a little query regarding the collection and forwarding of dues. Here is the plan as outlined in a previous issue of the "Star":

Membership costs 1s. for the season for all M-Men, Gleaners and Adults. For Beehive and Scouts it is 6d. Membership Cards have been distributed now with invoices denoting the number sent and their value. **One half of the money collected must be sent to the Mission Board and one half retained in the Branch funds. Thus, if you are invoiced for 6 cards at 1s. —6s.—you should forward to us 3s. if and when collected. We trust that is clear.**

It was customary in pre-war times to pass one half of the collected money to the District Supervisors to assist them in travelling. Our knowledge of Supervisors was, until very recently, limited; that is the reason we did not advise this step. We recommend now, however, that some scheme be inaugurated under the direction of each District President to raise funds in all Branches of the District to provide for this.

For January, the Event of the Month is the Gold and Green Ball. If you have not already had yours, get busy and prepare for this event which is now almost traditional among our M.I.A. funtions.

Meanwhile:

CARRY ON ! LET'S GO TO MUTUAL !

PRIMARY

Acting Supervisor: Edna Gardner

Primary Boys and Girls are builders—not ordinary builders of houses or ships, but Builders of Character. Our kind of building cannot be finished in a few months or years. We must continue it all through our lives.

But while we are still in Primary we hope to lay the foundation on which our lives as Latter-day Saints may be built. If we are to build well, we must begin when we are very young.

COUNT TEN.

COUNT TEN if you would say an ugly word,
And Ten will be your giant wth his sword
To slay the beast and cause his head to fall;
And there you are—no ugly word at all.

COUNT TEN if you would do an ugly deed,
And Ten will be your knight upon his steed
To trample down the dragon at your hand;
And there you are—a hero in command.

COUNT TEN if you would tell an ugly lie,
And Ten will be your angel standing by
Who gives to you a holy lamp to hold;
The Lamp of Youth, in lettering of God.

COUNT TEN—its such a little thing to say,
And then you are a MASTER OF THE DAY.

LATTER-DAY SAINT MEETING PLACES IN BRITAIN

Aberdeen:
Corn Exchange,
5, Hadden Street.

Accrington:
L. D. S. Hall,
Over 9, Church St.

Airdrie:
L. D. S. Hall,
40, Hallcraig Street.

Aldershot:
19, Edward Street.

Barnsley:
Arcade Buildings.

Batley:
L. D. S. Hall,
Well Lane.

Belfast:
122, North Street.

Birmingham:
L. D. S. Chapel,
23, Booth Street.
Handsworth.
Council Schools.
Stratford Road.
Sparkbrook

Bradford:
L. D. S. Chapel,
Woodlands Street,
off City Road.

Brighton:
77, Grand Parade
(first door).

Bristol:
L. D. S. Hall,
Zion Road,
off Clarence Road.
20, Northfield Ave.
Hanham.

Burnley:
L. D. S. Chapel.
1, Liverpool Road.
Rosegrove.

Bury:
L. D. S. Chapel.
15, Broad Street

Clayton:
L.D.S. Hall,
Gordon Street.

Derby:
Unity Hall.

Doncaster:
L. D. S. Hall,
Trafford Street.

Dublin:
L. D. S. Hall,
8, Merrion Row.

Eastwood:
Library, Church St.

Edinburgh:
Ruskin House.
15, Windsor Street.

Gainsborough:
L. D. S. Hall.
4b, Silver Street.

Gateshead:
Westfield Hall,
Westfield Terrace.

Glasgow:
Masonic Hall.
South Side.
30, Abbotsford Pl..C.5.

Gravesend:
1, Peacock Street.

Grimsby:
Thrift Hall,
Pasture Street.

Guisborough:
L. D. S. Hall,
back of 13, Church St.

Halifax:
13, Byron Street,
Hansen Lane.

Hucknall:
Byron Buildings.

Hull:
L. D. S. Chapel,
Wellington Lane, and
Berkeley Street.

Hyde:
L. D. S. Hall,
29, Beeley Street.

Kidderminster:
L. D. S. Chapel,
Park Street.

Leeds:
L. D. S. Hall,
5, King Charles St.

Leicester:
All Saints' Open,
Great Central Street.

Letchworth:
Vasanta Hall,
Gernon Walk.

Liverpool:
L. D. S. Chapel,
301, Edge Lane.

London:
L. D. S. Chapel,
59, Clissold Rd., N.16.

Ravenslea Chapel,
149, Nightingale Lane,
S.W.12.

57, King Alfred's Ave.,
Catford.

58, Wellesley Road,
Gunnersbury, W.4.

Loughborough:
Adult School.

Lowestoft:
L. D. S. Hall,
20, Clapham Road.

Luton:
Dallow Road Hall,
Corner of Dallow and
Naseby Roads.

Mansfield:
39a, Albert Street.

Manchester:
L. D. S. Hall,
88, Clarendon Road,
C. on M.

Merthyr Tydfil:
L. D. S. Chapel,
Penyard Road.

Middlesbrough:
L. D. S. Hall,
21, Bottomly Street,
off Linthorpe Road.

Nelson:
L. D. S. Hall,
10, Hibson Road.

Northampton:
L. D. S. Chapel,
89, St. Michael's Road.

Nottingham:
L. D. S. Hall,
8, Southwell Road.

Norwich:
L. D. S. Chapel,
60, Park Lane.

Nuneaton:
Masonic Hall,
Newdegate Street.

Oldham:
L. D. S. Hall,
Neville Street.

Plymouth:
Enquire at:—
Pres. Thos. Harris.
19, Cranborne Avenue
Lipson, Plymouth.

Pontllanfraith:
Enquire:
81, Brynteg Street.

Preston, Lancs.:
L. D. S. Hall,
44, Avenham Street,
off Fishergate.

Rawmarsh:
L. D. S. Hall,
Main Street.

Rochdale:
L. D. S. Chapel,
Lower Sheriff Street.

Sheffield:
L. D. S. Chapel,
Corner of Ellesmere
and Lyons Roads.

Shildon:
L. D. S. Hall,
100, Main Street.

South Shields:
L. D. S. Hall,
36, Fowler Street.

Staffordshire:
Washington Bldgs.,
nr. L.M.S. Station,
Wolverhampton.

St. Albans:
49, Spencer Street

Stroud:
Harley Wood,
Nailsworth.

Sunderland:
L. D. S. Chapel,
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